



PUBLIC NOTICE OF TRIAL BURN FOR BOILERS



SHELL OIL PRODUCTS US REFINERY 3485 Pacheco Boulevard MARTINEZ, CALIFORNIA

Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has approved the Trial Burn Plan for the Carbon Monoxide Boiler No. 2 (boiler), one of three, at the Shell Oil Products US (Shell) Refinery in Martinez. This trial burn will be part of the process to consider Shell's permit renewal. Shell plans to conduct the trial burn between June 5 -15, 2006. The Shell Refinery is located at 3485 Pacheco Boulevard on about 1000 acres in Martinez. Its operations include light crude oil and heavy oil processing. The purpose of this trial burn is (1) to confirm the ability of the boilers to meet permit conditions outlined in the current Shell Hazardous Waste Facility Permit or proposed in their permit renewal application, dated March 1, 2005, and (2) to determine the appropriate particulate emission limits for the three boilers and associated equipment. The emissions from the trial burn will be incorporated into a human health risk assessment.

In December 1995, DTSC issued Shell a permit to burn liquid hazardous waste from their wastewater treatment system as supplemental fuel in three carbon monoxide boilers. The primary purpose of the three boilers is to produce steam. This is done by combining several refinery gases and carbon monoxide to make fuel.

The current facility permit allows Shell to feed liquid hazardous waste from their wastewater treatment systems into the boilers as supplemental fuel. Shell is authorized to continue operating under their current permit until DTSC makes the decision on their permit renewal application.

The public may review the Trial Burn Plan, the Permit Application and other documents at the Martinez Public Library, 740 Court St. Martinez, CA 94553. Please call the library at (925) 646-2898 for their hours of operation. After Shell completes the trial burn, DTSC will place the results in the same library for your review.

For more information you may contact Mr. Nathan Schumacher, Public Participation Specialist at DTSC, (916) 255-3650 or toll free at (866) 495-5651 or e-mail at NSchumac@dtsc.ca.gov. You may also contact Dr. Waqar Ahmad, Project Manager at DTSC, (510) 540-3932 or e-mail at WAhmad@dtsc.ca.gov

You may also direct questions to the Shell Martinez Refinery by contacting Mr. Steve Leshner, Public Affairs Manager, Shell Martinez Refinery, 3485 Pacheco Boulevard, Martinez, California 94553, (925) 313-3462.

If you are from the Media, please contact Ms. Angela Blanchette, Public Information Officer, at (510) 540-3732 or ABlanche@dtsc.ca.gov.

Notice to the Hearing Impaired: TDD users can obtain additional information by using the California State Relay Service at 1-888-877-5378. Please ask them to contact Nathan Schumacher at 916-255-3650 about Shell Martinez Trial Burn.